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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on
December 23, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-10.

Please amend claims 11, 13, 15-19, 23 and 25 as follows:

C1
11. (Thrice Amended) A wafer including a glide head array
including a plurality of rows and a plurality of columns of glide
portions having air bearing surfaces formed on a surface of the
wafer and an array of glide transducers on the wafer to form a
plurality of glide heads.

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13. (Twice Amended) The wafer of claim 11 wherein said surface of
the wafer has a flatness less than about 3 μ m.

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15. (Twice Amended) The wafer of claim 11 wherein the surface of

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